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OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Application of :
Keene et al. :
Application No. 10/629,453 :   ON PETITION
Filed: July 29, 2003 :
Title: Methods for Isolating and Characterizing :
Endogenous MRNA-Protein (MRNP) :
Complexes :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.181 to withdraw the holding of abandonment, filed October 30, 2006.

The petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment is **GRANTED**.

This above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file a complete reply to the final Office Action of July 28, 2005. An amendment was filed on January 3, 2006 (certificate of mailing December 28, 2005). In response to the amendment a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) was mailed on March 16, 2006 which set a reply period of one month. A reply to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was not received. This application became abandoned on April 17, 2006. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on October 6, 2006.

Petitioner asserts that the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed March 16, 2006 was never received. Petitioner states a search of the file jacket and docket records confirms the Office Communication was not received. In support of petitioner's contention, a copy of the docket records has been provided.

The Notice of Abandonment is hereby vacated and the holding of abandonment is withdrawn.

Since petitioner has submitted a reply to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment with the instant petition a re-mailing of Notice is not required. This application is being forwarded to Art Unit 1633 for review of the amendment submitted on October 30, 2006

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3215.

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